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MEMORANDUM FOR: [redacted]
Executive Secretary, Artificial Intelligence Steering Group

SUBJECT: Artificial Intelligence Steering Group Draft Charter

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1. We have reviewed your draft charter and believe it to be responsive to the Intelligence Community's needs in the area of artificial intelligence (AI). The National Foreign Intelligence Program (NFIP) budget guidance for the 1985 cycle was recently published and contained specific reference to AI. We encourage you to review the Program Managers' responses to this guidance which will be available in September 1983, and provide us with any comments you believe appropriate. [redacted]

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2. I would suggest that the yearly report mentioned in the charter be completed early in the fiscal year (October time period). This would ensure maximum consideration in the budget guidance process. [redacted]

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3. I would also suggest that every effort be made as early as possible to include field elements in the committee discussions. These field elements, such as FTD, MIA, and NISC, can expect increased intelligence data collection in the late 1980s. Planning for the use of this information could benefit greatly from a firm understanding of the potential of AI. [redacted]

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4. Finally, I would suggest that you consider establishing an aggressive orientation program to acquaint upper- and mid-level management with AI principles, practices, procedures, and utility. If AI is to succeed, it must have management support. [redacted]

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